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SUBJ: NATO AIR DEFENSE ELECTRONIC ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (NADEEC)  
MEETING ON APRIL 19-21, 1977

REF: NADEEC-A/18, MARCH 21, 1977

SUMMARY: IN THIS MESSAGE WE PROVIDE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ITEMS OF THE REFERENCED AGENDA FOR THE 18TH NADEEC MEETING. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BEFORE APRIL 18. END SUMMARY.

1. THE NADEEC WILL HOLD ITS 18TH MEETING AT NATO HQ ON APRIL 19-21, 1977. ITEM 9, ROLE OF THE NADEEC, AND ITEM 11, ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN, ARE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. ITEM 1: APPROVAL OF DECISION RECORD OF THE 17TH MEETING. WE RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

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2. ITEM 2: STATUS REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR ADSD (AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS DIRECTORATE), NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF. WE RECOMMEND TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORT.

3. ITEM 3: MANNING OF THE ADSD. WE EXPECT THE DIRECTOR, ADSD (FACEY) TO PROPOSE THAT THE NADEEC RESUME EFFORTS TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL FOR HIS ORGANIZATION. IN OUR VIEW, THE UNCERTAIN FUTURE OF NATO AEW AND A POTENTIAL REORGANIZATION OF NATO STAFFS AS A RESULT OF THE MULTI PROJECT COORDINATION STUDY COULD SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT ADSD

WORKLOAD AND MANNING REQUIREMENTS. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE US OPPOSE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL FOR ADSD UNTIL IT IS CLEAR THAT ITS WORKLOAD WILL EXCEED ITS RESOURCES FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS IS PRESENTLY THE CASE.

4. ITEM 4: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 17TH MEETING. WE RECOMMEND TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORT.

5. ITEM 5: ANNUAL REPORTS BY THE ADHC (AIR DEFENSE HARDWARE COMMITTEE) AND ADSC (AIR DEFENSE SOFTWARE COMMITTEE). WE RECOMMEND TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORTS.

6. ITEM 6: NADEEC ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COUNCIL. THE DRAFT REPORT HAS NOT YET BEEN DISTRIBUTED. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE US REP MAKE A STATEMENT EXPLAINING THAT, WITHOUT ADEQUATE TIME FOR REVIEW AND INTERNAL COORDINATION, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE US TO PROVIDE A POSITION ON THE DRAFT REPORT. IF THE DRAFT REPORT, WHEN ISSUED, HAS ELEMENTS OR RECOMMENDATIONS NOT COVERED BY PREVIOUS GUIDANCE, WE WILL SEEK GUIDANCE. OTHERWISE, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE US REP APPROVE THE DRAFT REPORT.

7. ITEM 7: EXAMINATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE SLICE 28 (WARNING INSTALLATIONS) PROPOSALS. WE RECOMMEND ENDORSEMENT OF THE ADHC PROPOSALS. WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THE CONFIDENTIAL

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ADSC REPORT WHICH ADDRESSES ONLY THE SOFTWARE ASPECTS OF THE FRG'S REPLACEMENT OF THE 412L SYSTEM. THE REVIEW EFFORTS OF THE ADHC AND THE ADSC WILL BE DUPLICATED WHEN THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE'S AIR DEFENSE WORKING GROUP (AC/4-WF/28) REVIEWS SLICE 28 LATER THIS YEAR. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE US REP BE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE HIS JUDGEMENT IN APPROVAL OF THE ADSC REPORT. WE ALSO RECOMMEND A STATEMENT OBJECTING TO THE INADEQUATE TIME FOR REVIEW OF THE ADSC REPORT.

8. ITEM 8: TRAINING REQUIREMENTS AND FACILITIES (DOCUMENT DS/ADSD-WP(77)2). THIS SUBJECT WILL BE INTRODUCED BY ADSD BUT IS NOT INTENDED FOR DISCUSSION AT THIS MEETING.

9. ITEM 9: ROLE OF THE NADEEC (ADDITIONAL REFERENCE: NADEEC-SEC/2-2-11(77)22). WE RECOMMEND TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORTS BY THE CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTOR ADSD. COMMENT: THE UK HAS SUBMITTED ITS VIEW ON THE FUTURE ROLE OF NADEEC AND WE EXPECT THAT THIS WILL BE THE CENTER OF DISCUSSION. THE UK PROPOSAL WOULD DRASTICALLY REORGANIZE

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NATO HQ AIR DEFENSE COMPONENTS, INCLUDING THE NADEEC WHICH WOULD REPORT TO THE MILITARY COMMITTEE INSTEAD OF THE COUNCIL. THE UK REVEALED PORTIONS OF THIS SCHEME IN PREVIOUS NADEEC MEETINGS AND IN NADEEC'S TERMS OF REFERENCE WORKING GROUP. REACTION HAS BEEN UNIFORMLY NEGATIVE AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE UK WILL BE ISOLATED WITH ITS PROPOSAL. SHOULD A US STATEMENT BE NECESSARY, WE RECOMMEND REITERATION OF OUR BELIEF THAT NADEEC SHOULD AWAIT THE OUTCOME OF THE MULTI PROJECT COORDINATION STUDY BEFORE CONSIDERING A NEW ROLE. END COMMENT.

10. ITEM 10: AEW/GE (AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING/GROUND ENVIRONMENT) INTERFACE (DOCUMENT: DS/ADSD(77)21). THE REFERENCED DOCUMENT IS A STATUS REPORT ON NATO AEW AND, IN VIEW OF THE EXISTING UNCERTAINTY OF THE NATO AEW PROGRAM, WE DO NOT EXPECT SIGNIFICANT DISCUSSION.

1. ITEM 11: ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN FROM SEPTEMBER, 1977  
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(ADDITIONAL DOCUMENT: NADEEC-SEC-2-2-03(76)102). IN THE PAST, THE US HAS FAVORED SELECTION OF THE NADEEC CHAIRMAN FROM WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF. OTHER NATIONS HAVE RESISTED THIS PROPOSAL, INSISTING ON A NATIONAL CHAIRMAN BUT AT THE SAME TIME RELUCTANT TO SUPPLY ONE. ARGUMENTS FOR A NATIONAL CHAIRMAN ARE BASED ON THE BELIEF THAT A NATIONAL CANDIDATE WOULD BETTER REFLECT THE VIEWPOINT OF THE NATIONS, AND THAT HE WOULD BE MORE ACCOUNTABLE TO (I.E., REMOVABLE BY) THEM. WE HAVE INFORMAL INFORMATION THAT THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN (SULPRIZIO) INTENDS TO PROPOSE A COMPROMISE ARRANGEMENT:

BGEN J BIRKHOLZ (FRG) AS NON-RESIDENT CHAIRMAN, AND MR D FACEY, DIRECTOR ADSD, AS RESIDENT VICE-CHAIRMAN. THE ADSD CHIEF PRODUCES A DISPROPORTIONATELY LARGE SHARE OF ADSD'S OUTPUT, AND IF NADEEC ADMINISTRATION ABSORBS A LARGER PART OF HIS TIME, ADSD OUTPUT WILL SUFFER AND ITS VALUE TO NADEEC AND TO NATO WILL BE REDUCED ACCORDINGLY. THIS FLAW WOULD ALSO BE PRESENT IN A PROPOSAL TO NOMINATE THE ASYG (DEFENSE SUPPORT) (LABERGE) AS CHAIRMAN: FACEY WOULD HAVE TO PROVIDE EQUIVALENT SUPPORT WHETHER BIRKHOLZ OR LABERGE WERE CHAIRMAN. IN SPITE OF THIS DRAWBACK, WE BELIEVE OTHER NATIONS WILL PERSIST IN THEIR DESIRE FOR A NATIONAL CHAIRMAN AND WE RECOMMEND SUPPORT OF THE BIRKHOLZ/FACEY SCHEME, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE ARRANGEMENT WILL BE REEXAMINED IN ONE YEAR'S TIME. BY THEN, THE OUTCOME OF THE MULTI PROJECT COORDINATION STUDY WILL BE KNOWN AND NADEEC'S FUTURE MAY BE MORE DISCERNIBLE.

12. ITEM 12: OTHER BUSINESS. WE KNOW OF NO ITEMS TO BE RAISED.

13. ITEM 13: NEXT MEETING. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE US ACCEPT THE DATES FAVORED BY THE MAJORITY.

14. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE BY APRIL 18, CONFIDENTIAL

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